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WITHIN A TRANSACTION PROCESSING SYSTEM EMPLOYING  
SYMMETRIC MULTIPROCESSORS



**AMENDMENT & RESPONSE WITH A REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 28, 2005, please grant a request for continued examination and amend the application as follows: